

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Michael B. Zemel

Appl. No. 10/017,568

Art Unit : 1616

Examiner: WEBMAN, Edward J.

**Confirmation No. 9941**

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For : MATERIALS AND METHODS FOR  
THE TREATMENT OR PREVENTION  
OF OBESITY

Customer No.

**26694**

PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Post Office Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed March 13, 2007, Applicants submit the following response:

**The Listing of Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

Applicants request a three-month extension of time to respond to the Official Action mailed March 13, 2007, i.e., to and including September 13, 2007, and enclose the appropriate fee in accordance with 37 CFR §1.136(a). An RCE is being filed with this response.